that would be imparted to them in English only.

Mr. Bhupalam R. CHANDRASEKHARAYYA spoke in support of the representation. He remarked that a great setback had been caused to the education of Muslim students by the circumstance that learning Kannada had not been made compulsory in the primary school stage. He stated that during his recent visit to the Shimoga District, the Dewan had been pleased to find that in a small village with 300 Muslims houses, there was one Urdu primary school as well as a Kannada primary school. The total strength in the Urdu primary school was much larger than that in the Kannada primary school. But visiting the middle school in the same locality, the Dewan was surprised to see that there were no Muslim students at all. It was explained by the leaders of that place that pupils from the Urdu school did not seek admission to the middle school because they did not know Kannada, and that if only there had been provision to teach Kannada in the Urdu primary school, those pupils could have had the benefit of middle school education. For this reason, the speaker urged that the suggestion contained in the representation should be accepted.

Mr. ABDUL RASOOL SAB pointed out that it would be possible to give effect to his suggestion without extra expenditure, either by posting Muslims who knew Kannada as teachers in Urdu schools or by deputing one of the teachers from the local Kannada primary school for teaching Kannada in the Urdu primary school for some time each day.

The SECOND MEMBER (Mr. K. V. Anantaraman) replied that the representation would be considered.

The Assembly rose for the day at 5 p.m. to meet again at 12 noon the following day.

FIFTH DAY.

Friday, 20th October 1939.

The House reassembled at the Jagan Mohan Palace Pavilion on Friday, 20th October 1939, at 12 of the clock, Mr. President (*Amin-ul-Mulk* Sir Mirza M. Ismail, K.C.I.E., O.B.E., Dewan) in the Chair.

Request for extending the Session.

Mr. B. L. BYANNA represented that a large volume of business on the agenda still remained to be transacted and prayed that the session be extended by two days.

Messrs. C. V. RAMAN and **D. VENKATARAMANAPPA** supported the request.

The PRESIDENT replied that the sitting would be extended by one day, *i.e.*, till the 23rd October, and not for two days as the hall would be required for other purposes after that date.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS—*contd.*

Muslim Employees in City Municipalities.

Q.—70. **Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR** (Minorities).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of Muslims employed in subordinate and executive lines in the Bangalore City and the Mysore City Municipalities (excluding menials);

(*b*) the departments in which such Muslims are employed and their number?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. C. Subrahmanya Aiyar).—

(a)—

Bangalore City—23.
Mysore City—21.

(b)—

Bangalore City		*No.*
Revenue Office	...	6
Municipal Engineer's Office	...	1
Health Office	...	8
Octroi Office	...	8
Total	...	23

Mysore City		*No.*
President's Office	...	1
P. W. D. Branch	...	4
Health Office	...	8
Revenue Branch	...	5
Octroi Department	...	2
Town Hall	...	1
Total	...	21

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—Are menials also included in the figures furnished in the answer?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—No.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—As far as I know, there are not so many Muslim employees in the Bangalore City Municipality. I therefore fear that menials also are included in the figures.

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—I do not think so.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—Can I have some further details of the number of employees in the two city municipalities?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—Notice.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—Even granting that the figures furnished relate only to men holding superior appointments, are not the figures 23 and 21 negligible, considering the total number of appointments under the two city municipalities?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—That is a matter of opinion.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—As against 8 Muslims employed in the Health Office at Bangalore, what is the number of Hindus employed in the same office?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—Notice.

Sir Hajee Ismail Sait Fund.

Q.—71. Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR (Minorities).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Sir Hajee Ismail Sait Fund is meant for the encouragement of Arabic studies also along with Persian in the University;

(b) the present value of the fund;

(c) the number of awards hitherto made from the fund under each head;

(d) the steps that Government have taken to encourage Arabic studies in the University?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J. Appaji Gowda).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Rs. 29,950.

(c)—

M. A.	...	Nil
B. A. (Hons.)	...	1
B. A. Pass	...	7
Intermediate	...	14

(d) Arabic is a permissible second language and an optional subject.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—How much did Sir Hajee Ismail Sait donate?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Rs. 20,000.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—But it is said that the present value of the fund is Rs. 29,950?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—The difference represents the accumulated interest on the fund.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—Why was it allowed to accumulate?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—As qualified and deserving candidates were not available, the scholarships were not awarded and the unutilised interest was added on to the fund.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—Are there separate professors for Persian and Arabic?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Yes.

Mr. M. ABDUL JABBAR.—What are their names?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—I want notice as regards Urdu. For Persian, however,